

W. GORNICKI DISPATCH FROM NEW YORK: "THEY LET THEMSELVES GO
MAD AFTER ALL")

(TEXT) THE WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT OF THE NEW YORK HERALD TRIBUNE

HAS OBTAINED POSSESSION OF A REMARKABLE DOCUMENT--A SECRET

MEMORANDUM DISTRIBUTED BY THE CIA AMONG CERTAIN" CONGRESSMEN AND

SENATORS. APPARENTLY THESE CERTAIN" PERSONS DESERVE CONFIDENCE

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IN CONTRAST TO OTHER CONGRESSMEN AND SENATORS, WHO NO DOUBT

ARE BOUND TO BE IN THE PAY OF MOSCOW AND IN ANY CASE ARE SUSPECTED

OF BEING "SOFT ON COMMUNISM."

IN ITS BRILLIANT MEMORANDUM THE CIA ASSERTS THAT IN THE PAST

FEW MONTHS THERE HAS BEEN A CONSIDERABLE INTENSIFICATION OF THE

"HOSTILE DRIVE TO DISCREDIT THE RESPECT AND EFFECTIVENESS OF THE

AMERICAN INTELLIGENCE SERVICE." THIS VERY LANGUAGE MAKES US

"INTELLIGENCE SERVICE" THEN VERY LANGUAGE MAKES US
PRICK UP OUR EARS. INDEED, THE CONTENT OF THIS MEMORANDUM IS
CONSISTENT WITH ITS FORM. IT APPEARS THAT IN MOSCOW--AND WHERE
ELSE?--A SPECIAL DEPARTMENT OF DISINFORMATION HAS BEEN SET UP
TO SLANDER THE CIA AND TO UNDERMINE ITS AUTHORITY. AMONG OTHER
THINGS THIS IS DONE THROUGH "ATTRIBUTING SPECIFIC ERRORS AND
FIASCOES TO THE CIA."

THIS IS NO DOUBT A NEW CHAPTER IN THE ANNALS OF LOGIC.
APPARENTLY IT WAS NOT RPT NOT THE CIA THAT COMPROMISED ITSELF
BY OFFERING A BRIBE TO THE PREMIER OF SINGAPORE; IT WAS ONLY
KRENLIN AGENTS THAT FANNED THE WHOLE AFFAIR. IT WAS NOT RPT NO
ALLAN DULLES--HEAVEN FORBID!--WHO PREPARED THE INVASION OF THE BAY
OF PIGS; IT WAS ONLY THE PERFIDIOUS "DEPARTMENT OF DISINFORMATION" O
THAT COS, 36 THE AMERICANS OF THE STORY. IT WAS NOT RPT NOT THEM CIA

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IT WAS NOT RPT NOT CIA THAT GAVE A FALSE APPRAISAL OF THE
SITUATION IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, AND IT WAS NOT RPT NOT THE
CIA THAT OVERTHREW GOULART. ALL THIS, AS MCCARTHY WOULD SAY,
WAS "DONE BY MOSCOW."

ONE REALLY DOES NOT RPT NOT KNOW HOW TO REACT IN READING A
MEMORANDUM OF THIS KIND. IT IS NOT RPT NOT ONLY A MONUMENTAL
ACHIEVEMENT IN THE ANNALS OF "BRAINWASHING," SINCE ALL THE ABOVE
EXAMPLES ARE REALLY RECITED IN THE MEMORANDUM, AND NOT RPT NOT
ONLY A MODERN VERSION OF FATHER BABA'S WRITINGS (NONSENSE--ED.).
AFTER ALL WE REMEMBER RATHER WELL THE VERY STRANGE COINCIDENTS
OF THE U-2 FLIGHT AND THE PARIS CONFERENCE. IT WOULD ALSO BE
DIFFICULT TO FORGET A NUMBER OF CASES IN WHICH THE CIA ALWAYS
STIRRED UP TROUBLE AS SOON AS THERE WAS EVEN THE SLIGHTEST
INDICATION OF A VERY MODEST RELAXATION.

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I DO NOT RPT OT WISH TO BE A PROPHET OF DOOM AND CROW THAT A

NEW PROVOCATION IS IN THE MAKING, BUT WE MUST BEAR IN MIND
THAT IN THE UNITED STATES IT IS COMMON KNOWLEDGE THAT THE
INTELLIGENCE SERVICE IS NO LONGER THE PRIVATE PASSION OF A FEW
INDIVIDUALS IN LOVE WITH CODES AND MIDNIGHT MEETINGS. THE CIA

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TODAY EXPRESSES THE POLITICAL LINE OF DEFINITELY SPECIFIC GROUPS,
BOTH MILITARY AND INDUSTRIAL, WHICH ARE MORE AFRAID OF RELAXATION
AND NORMALIZATION THAN OF ANYTHING ELSE. THE PAST FEW YEARS HAVE
PROVED BEYOND ANY DOUBT WHATSOEVER THAT THE CIA FOLLOWS IN PRACTICE
A MORE PRONOUNCED COLDWAR POLICY THAN THE WHITE HOUSE OR STATE
DEPARTMENT. THIS IDIOTIC FARCE IN THE SHAPE OF A "SECRET
MEMORANDUM" COULD THUS PROVE TO BE SOMETHING MUCH MORE SIGNIFICANT
THAN A CLUMSY PROPAGANDA TRICK. IT WOULD REALLY BE VERY GOOD IF
THE AMERICANS DID NOT RPT NOT ANIWLO N9C3MEELVES GO MAD. *